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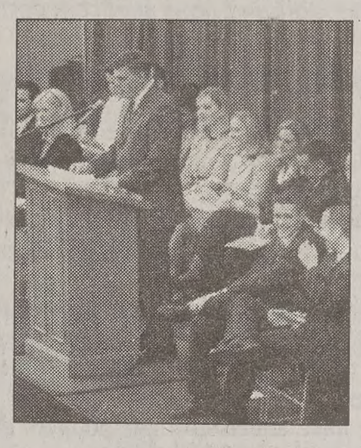

Election Extravaganza

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Cyber secrets break silence

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"There is danger in the land."

— President Merrill J. Bateman

Innocent need protection from porn

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Students, faculty, bishops and community members filled three overflow rooms in the Wilkinson Student Center as they listened to President Merrill J. Bateman sound the cry, "There is danger in the land."

President Bateman offered the commencement address at Wednesday's pornography conference, entitled Cyber Secrets, sponsored by Women's Services and Resources.

The conference came in response to increased prevalence of pornography in the lives of innocent people, President Bateman said.

The conference is a response to the clever attempts of Satan to introduce this salacious material into people's minds through films, televisions and now the Internet, he said.

"President Gordon B. Hinckley said pornography will destroy your home. It will destroy your marriage.

"It will take the good and beautiful out of your family relationships and replace these with ugliness and suspicion," President Bateman said.

One of the problems with pornography is that it advertises only one particular view of sexuality, President Bateman said.

It is never more than the physical, he said.

"Pornography fails to convey the communication aspects of love. It never conveys the expression of affection, only that of pure lust," he said.

President Bateman warned those in attendance of the fraudulent nature of pornography.

Not only does it teach a basic lie, it is totally antithetical to the Father's plan of salvation and happiness, he said.

"Satan understands that if he can denigrate the human body, if he can put thoughts into our hearts and minds and cause us to misunderstand and destroy the intimacy of human relations ... he can keep us from achieving our destiny in the eternities," President Bateman said.

In a following session of the conference, Wendy Ulrich, Ph.D., spoke on how the dangers of pornography extend beyond the individual participating, to those who maintain relationships with those individuals.

Pornography makes spouses feel unattractive, unwanted and used, she said.

It produces feelings of intensity instead of intimacy, control instead of safety and obsession instead of trust, she said.

Pornography is incapable of fulfilling individual needs for intimacy, she said.

"Intimacy cannot occur because there is no exchange of personal information," Ulrich said.

"Pornography causes the user to hide information about themselves which hinders the development of intimate relationships."

Kelly Johnson, a junior from Colorado, majoring in nursing, attended all seven hours of the conference. She said she agrees with President Bateman's warning of the dangers of pornography.

"Pornography is a danger because it is so readily accessible," she said.

Addictions can start with the smallest encounter, Johnson said. Even a questionable scene from a movie can create curiosities that result in habit, she said.

The problem with pornography is the anonymity available through the technology of the Internet, said Mike Peterson, 27, an international studies major from Eugene, Ore.

"It's horrible," he said. "You can access it anywhere. No one is immune."

Chelsea Smith, a junior from Sandy, majoring in human development, was surprised to discover that over 400 new pornographic sites are added to the Web every day.

"I think the most important thing to do to combat the growth of pornography is to educate people about the things they can do to help their families or roommates to stay away from it and keep it out of their lives," she said.

Cyber Secrets will be rebroadcast by KBYU in April. Transcripts of all of Wednesday's conference presentations will be available on the Internet through Women's Services and Resources. All sessions will also be archived on the NewsNet Web site at newsnet.byu.edu.

Gunman causes scare at White House

Armed man shot; Bush not harmed

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A man brandishing a gun outside the White House fence was shot by a Secret Service officer Wednesday after a 10-minute standoff, officials said. The episode triggered a tight mid-day security clampdown.

President Bush was safe in his residence exercising at the time. Vice President Dick Cheney was working in his office. Laura Bush was at the family ranch in Crawford, Texas.

"The president understood that he was not in any danger," said White House press secretary Ari Fleischer.

The wounded man was Robert W. Pickett, a 47-year-old accountant who lived by himself in Evansville, Ind., according to law enforcement officials. He was taken to nearby George Washington University Hospital where he was to undergo knee surgery and psychological evaluation.

He was in stable condition.

Officials said the episode began when police heard shots and approached a man with a handgun on the sidewalk outside the fence on the south side of the White House.

"He was waving it in the air — it was pointed at the White House at one point — and pointing it in all directions," said Park Police spokesman Rob MacLean. At one point, the suspect placed the gun in his mouth, MacLean added.

White House press secretary Ari Fleischer said officers on regular patrol "heard shots fired and proceeded to surround the subject."

"A 10-minute standoff ensued upon which time the Secret Service fired a shot into the suspect's leg," Fleischer said. Asked why officers fired on the suspect, Fleischer said they "felt it was necessary. ... He was armed with a weapon that he had discharged."

The confrontation occurred on a street frequented by tourists, within sight of the fountain on the South Lawn of the White House.

Secret Service spokesman Marc Connolly said an officer fired one shot, which struck the gunman in the right knee. No shots were fired by the man during his encounter with police. However, law enforcement officers were investigating whether the man fired shots before police approached him.

Pickett was not listed in Secret Service files as a known threat to the president, law enforcement officials said. Evansville police said he did not have a criminal record.

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— Rob MacLean, Park Police spokesman

Secret Service agents were seeking a warrant to search his home.

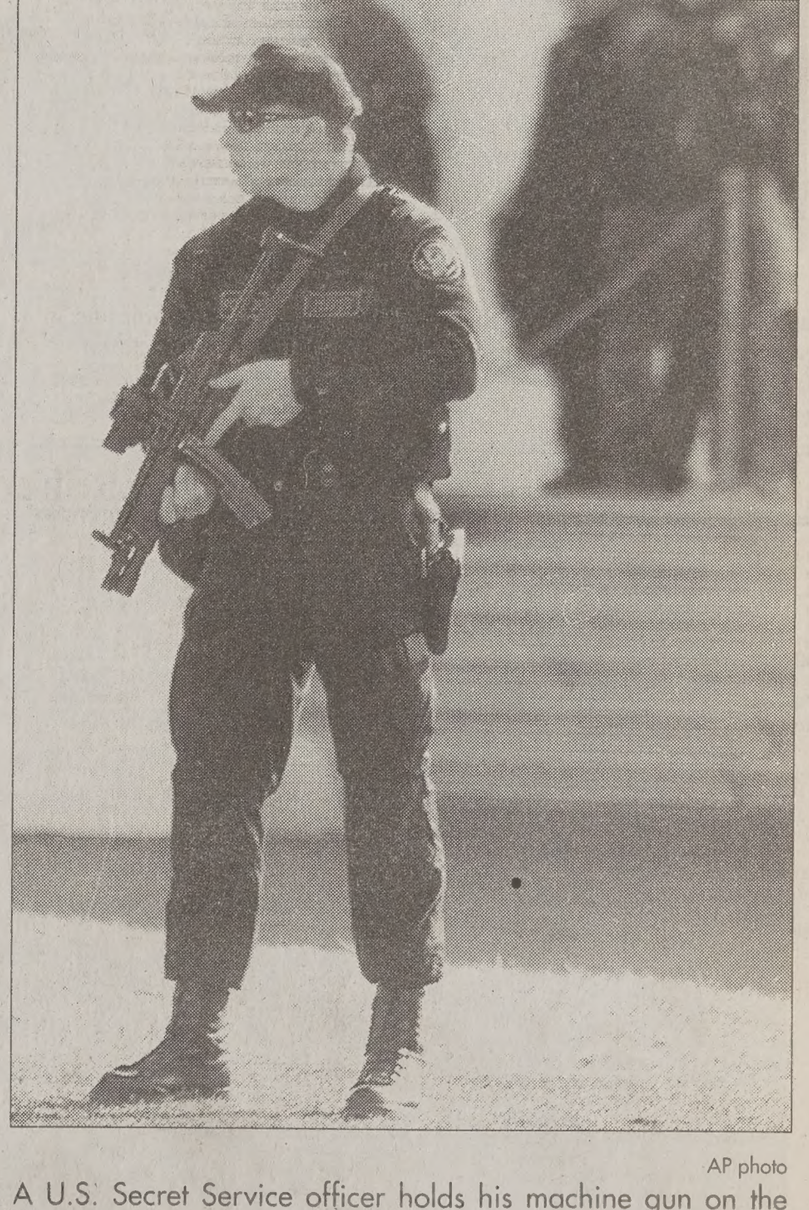
Pickett's neighbors described him as a friendly man, an accountant who had lived in a modest home in Evansville and kept a neat lawn. He frequently jogged.

"I was really surprised. As far as I knew, he was an outstanding neighbor," said Lewis Gates.

At the hospital, Dr. Yolanda Haywood, associate professor of emergency medicine, said the man was conscious and calm but had not said anything.

Secret Service agents were using metal detectors in an effort to find shell casings to determine how many shots were fired in the incident.

A witness said she heard a popping sound, followed by smoke. After that, Secret Service officers "told him to 'drop it'" and then sit down. And then he "slowly sat down on the ground," said the witness, Sook Jo from Centreville, Va.



AP photo

A U.S. Secret Service officer holds his machine gun on the North Lawn of the White House as officers move to secure the grounds after security officers shot an armed man outside the fence on the South Lawn on Wednesday.

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— *Olivia Lowry*

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— *Associated Press*

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News Briefs

Compiled from staff and news service reports

SLC schools may lose accreditation

SALT LAKE CITY — Administrators whose schools are at risk of losing accreditation say they are caught between a requirement to have more educators and not enough money to pay for it.

Last week the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges placed nine Utah high schools on warned status for having too few teachers, counselors, librarians or administrators.

Schools usually have two years after they have been warned to try to solve the problems. If not corrected, accreditation can be dropped, which can hamper students seeking to transfer their credits to other high schools or be admitted to colleges.

School officials said Tuesday they have squeezed their budgets all they can to find money for more educators.

"Basically it's a funding issue," said Dorothy Cosgrove, a director in the Salt Lake City School District, where Highland High and West High are in jeopardy.

Bush would welcome Mexican trucks

WASHINGTON — President Bush stands by his position that free trade obligates the United States to open its highways to Mexican trucks, the White House said Wednesday. He is reviewing how to do so after a trade panel ruled that keeping the trucks out violated the North American Free Trade Agreement.

White House spokeswoman Claire Buchan said that Bush focused on ensuring that the American public does not share roadways with unsafe Mexican trucks, Buchan said.

"One thing I want to stress that it pointed out in the report is that the NAFTA rules in no way inhibit the U.S. ability to set our own highway safety standards and the safety standards the drivers must abide by," Buchan said. "The president has indicated that he does think the NAFTA trucking provision should be implemented. We haven't made decisions yet on how to do it but the report indicated we may use our U.S. highway safety standards."

Judge orders power company to deliver

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — California appeared to have dodged yet another energy bullet Wednesday, after a judge dramatically stepped in at the 11th hour and ordered a major power supplier to keep pumping electricity to the state.

Hours before a federal directive requiring energy wholesalers to sell to California was to expire, U.S. District Judge Frank C. Damrell Jr. granted a temporary restraining order telling Reliant Energy Services Inc. of Houston to keep making the sales. The action was needed, the judge said, to avoid "obvious, irreparable harm to the public."

Facing the threat of similar orders, two other large suppliers — AES Pacific Inc. and Dynegy Power Corp. — announced that they, too, would keep the power flowing.

Without the ruling, state officials had said there was a good chance of mandatory power blackouts Wednesday like the ones that darkened much of northern and central California for two days last month.

Small fires empty two Utah schools

Toilet-paper fires set at two Utah schools 270 miles apart caused no injuries and little damage but forced evacuation of the schools.

Three fires were set Tuesday at Highland High School.

Two of the fires were in boys' bathrooms and involved toilet paper and hand towels. Maintenance workers extinguished them and firefighters were not called until the third blaze, which was in a large garbage container in the football locker room.

Damage was limited to the garbage container, but students were evacuated as a precautionary measure, said Dennis McKone, city fire administrative assistant.

Another small fire was set about 9 a.m. Tuesday in a bathroom at Dixie Downs Elementary in St. George.

Fire Chief Robert Stoker said someone set a roll of toilet paper on fire in a metal trashcan in the boys' bathroom in the second- and third-grade area.was evacuated.

The fire did not burn long enough to set off the smoke detector or the sprinkler system.

Weather

Yesterday	Today	Friday
High 32 Low 29 as of 5 p.m.	Cloudy	Cloudy
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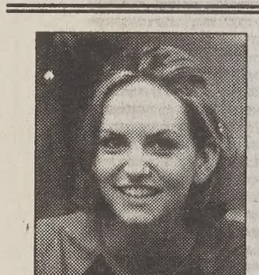
source: BYU Geograph. Dept. CNN

Scripture of the Day



"And thus we see that the commandments of God must be fulfilled. And if it so be that the children of men keep the commandments of God he doth nourish them and strengthen them, and provide means whereby they can accomplish the thing which he has commanded them; wherefor, he did provide means for us while we did sojourn in the wilderness.

— 1 Nephi 17:3

Jessie McGrath, 20, a senior form Spokane, Washington, majoring in Psychology, likes this scripture because "the Lord gives His children many commandments, but He always makes it possible for us to keep them."

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UTA seeks to increase Paratransit fare

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Kellene Kemp is a 43-year-old resident of Provo. She has epilepsy and has been on her own for seven years.

Kemp said she uses Paratransit to get to her job at Central Utah Enterprises where she earns between $100 and $150 a month.

Paratransit is a Utah Transit Authority curb-to-curb service for people with physical, cognitive or visual disabilities.

However, UTA wants to increase the Paratransit fare 100 percent, to two dollars, and no longer accept bus passes.

Kayna Kemp Stout, Kellene's sister, said she believes the rate increase is too much to ask of people on fixed incomes.

"If this rate increase were to go through, my sister would spend $80 a month on Paratransit," Stout said.

"This is 80 percent of her income."

An analysis by UTA regarding the costs of providing Paratransit service has prompted a proposed change in UTA's current Paratransit structure.

"A decision hasn't been made," said Chris McBride, UTA spokesperson said. "The UTA board of directors wants public input."

This is what prompted an emotional two-hour hearing about transit costs for the disabled Tuesday night at the Utah County Complex in Provo.

Over 50 people filled a small basement meeting room to make their voices heard regarding the suggested rate change.

"Doubling the cost is unconscionable," said self-employed Ralph Glater, 56, from American Fork.

His wife Eileen has multiple sclerosis and uses Paratransit to get around town.

"It costs approximately $30 per trip each time someone uses the service, but the rider only pays one dollar per trip," McBride said.

Martha Rae Jeppson, a member of the UTA board of trustees, said the increase is partly due to the cost of gas, buses and driver security.

Opponents at the hearing had two main concerns. They worried that the disabled community was being singled out. The other concern was the increase amount.

Many people at the hearing thought a smaller increase would be more satisfactory. They also felt the funds could come from other areas.

McBride said that, while the Paratransit rate increase is not an across-the-board increase, this kind was not out of the question.

"We realize that Paratransit service is extremely important for some people," McBride said. "And we are committed to providing that service."

Andrea Blain was at the meeting on behalf of the Utah Women's Lobbyists, and said the g... strongly objects to the proj... rate increase.

"We feel that a 100 pe... increase is excessive," Blain... from a letter written by the ... to UTA.

Jeff Harris, manager of stra... planning for UTA, explained ... 72 percent of UTA's syste... accessible for people with di...ities.

"By June or July of 200... hope to be 100 percent equip... Harris said.

The UTA board of director... make a final decision on M... 28.

UTA held hearings in Davis ... Tooele counties last week. ... this week UTA will conduct ... ings in Salt Lake, Weber and ... Elder counties.

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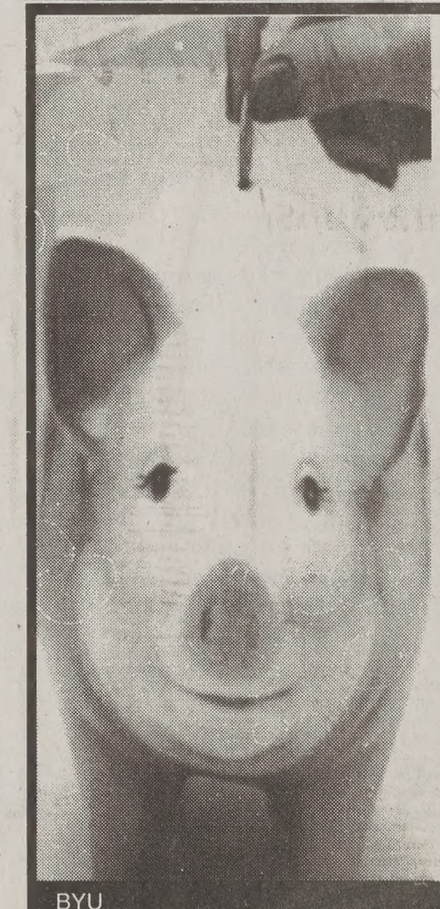

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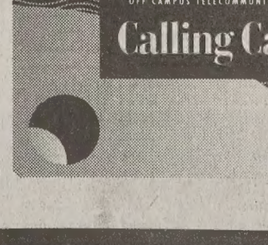

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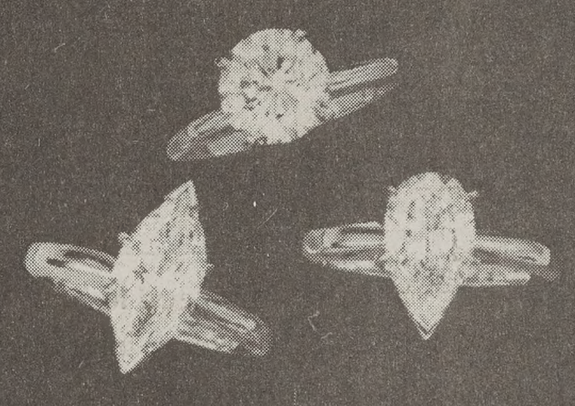

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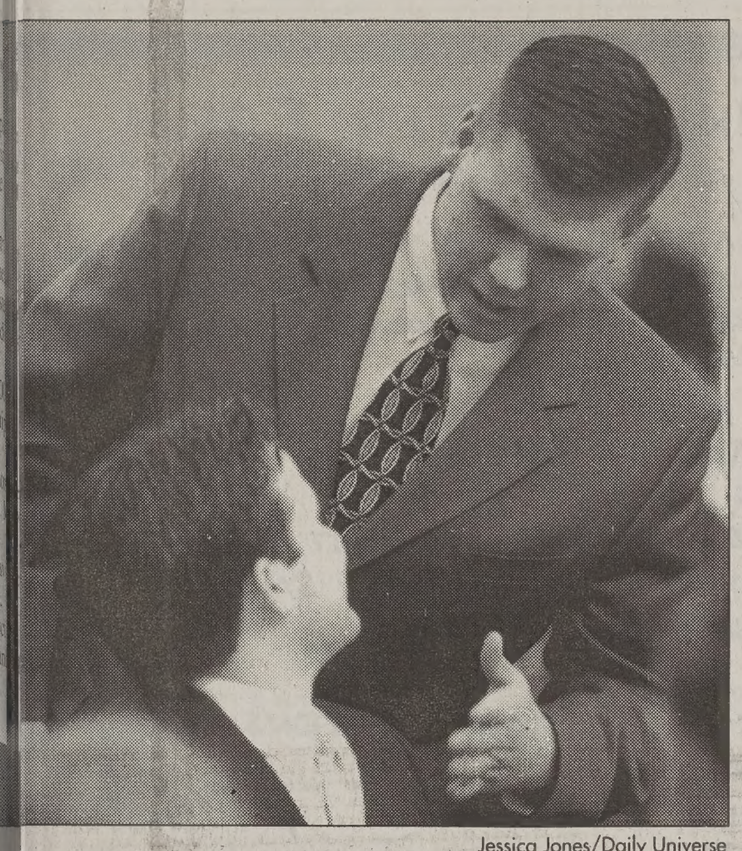

Jessica Jones/Daily Universe

President Bill Brady mingles with students at BYUSA's
of student leadership elections in the WSC Terrace.

USA elections begin; ast candidates ever

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> **"You need to be able to make an informed decision."**
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> — Bill Brady, BYUSA president

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y voting will be open m. on Monday.

oting will end Feb. 16, new BYUSA presidency nounced that night at the lla Jam in the WSC Ball-

ates will be answering questions at a panel discussion at the BYU town meeting today at 11 a.m. in the WSC Terrace.

All discussions and debates can be viewed live or delayed on www.newsnet.byu.edu.

Nine teams of candidates are running this year, which is the most the elections have ever seen, said Michael McCleve, BYUSA director.

Since there are so many candidates, current BYUSA president Bill Brady said it is important to get to know the candidates and their ideas.

"You need to be able to make an informed decision," he said.

Wilkboard goes online at Hub site

Web-savvy venue offers site for students to buy, sell online

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Students have a new option for advertising on the online virtual Wilkboard link on the student Hub Web site.

The online Wilkboard is a Web version of the advertising board located in the Wilkinson Student Center basement where students post ads of things they want to sell.

BYUSA executive director of technology Matt Jaynes said he wanted to start an online Wilkboard because of the demand he has seen from students. He said he wanted to develop an easier and more effective way to sell items.

"I wanted to work out a way to sell my snowboard boots without having to post a lot of paper ads," Jaynes said.

Products available on the Wilkboard range from music lessons and employment opportunities to cars and home appliances.

The Web site was officially launched Jan. 21.

The site's programmer, Erich Pletch, said since the launch, the Wilkboard has had 19,000 visitors and a total of 41,000 page views.

There are 11 different search categories with almost 200 ads posted on the site.

Jaynes said an online Wilkboard program had been established in the past but was not successful because not many people knew about it.

He said because of the site's location on the Hub, more people are aware of it and that is why it has been more successful.

The Hub is fast becoming the top information site for students, Jaynes said.

Any student with a Route Y account who is enrolled in classes can post advertisements free of charge.

Non-students must go through the NewsNet classified department and have to pay to place ads on the site.

"We don't want our Web site to compete with the ad sales of NewsNet," Jaynes said.

"I don't think the Web site will have a significant effect on our sales. I think it's a good idea and we support it," said NewsNet Web director Michael Buhrley.

Jaynes said there is someone in charge of the site who monitors what is being posted.

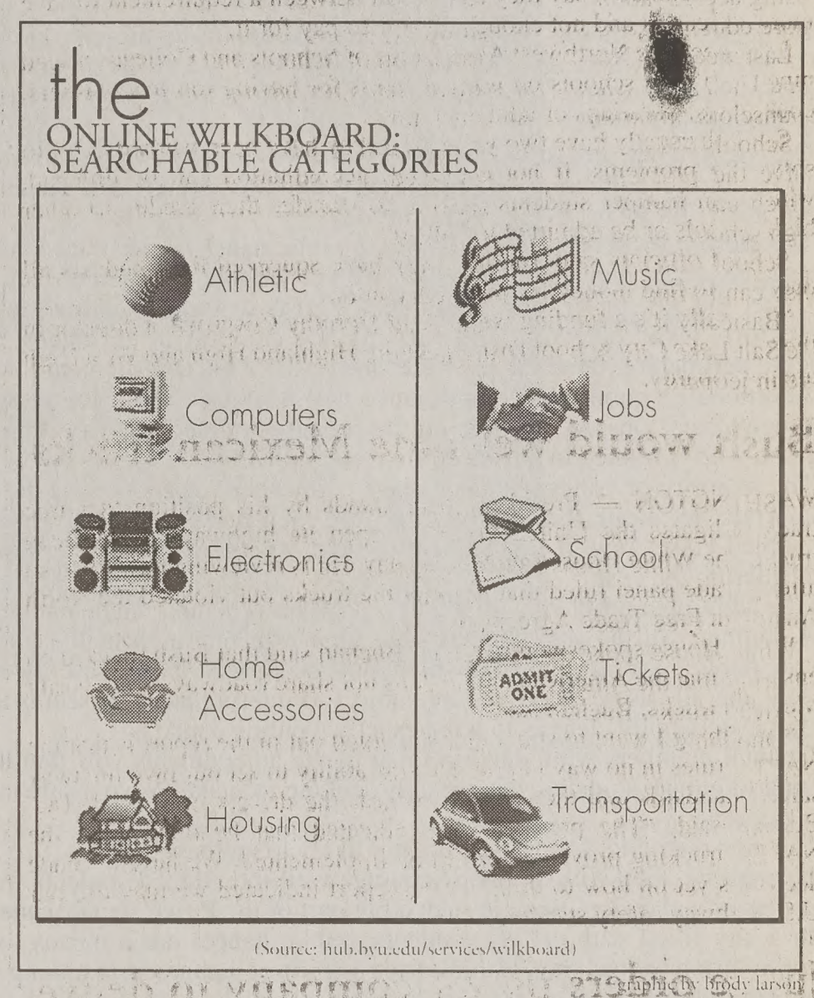
"We send warnings to people who are abusing the system. It's a great service, but we have to keep it regulated," he said.

Each ad stays posted for seven days and is automatically removed after the allotted amount of time, but can be reposted by the seller.

"This way the ads are always fresh. We don't have old ads cluttering the site," Jaynes said.

This gives every ad an equal amount of time to be seen.

The physical Wilkboard is cleared every Saturday night, so if someone posts an ad on a Friday, it can only be seen for one day.



(Source: hub.byu.edu/services/wilkboard)

LECTURES

Reverend France A. Davis of the Calvary Baptist Church in Salt Lake City will be speaking about appreciating literary and cultural arts and education today in 3380 WSC at 11 a.m.

Maynard Dixon, a well-known painter of the early twentieth century, is being honored in a lecture given by his son, Daniel Dixon, at the Museum of Art today at 7 p.m.

For more on these issues see http://newsnet.byu.edu

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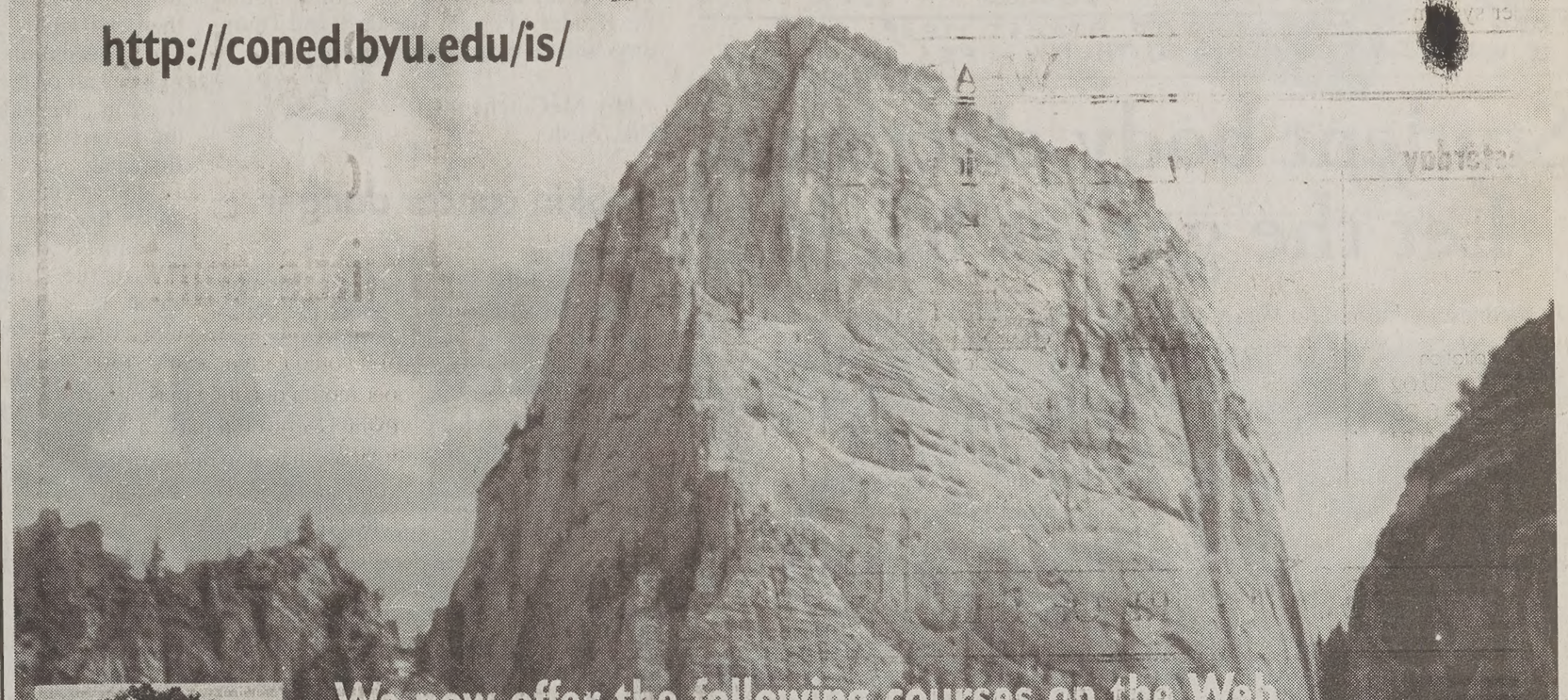

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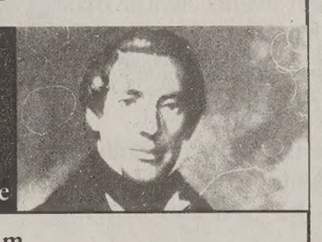

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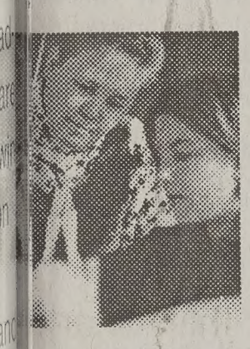

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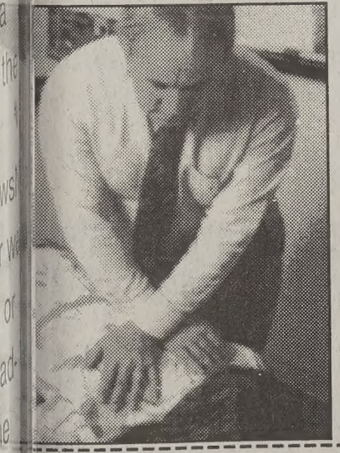

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Provo dooms dances

Remember the movie "Footloose"? The one about the big-city kid who moves to a small town where dancing has been outlawed? It was filmed in Utah County.

Appropriate, it seems, considering the outcome of the Provo City Council meeting Tuesday.

Despite student protests, the Council voted to amend existing dance hall ordinances, further tightening the noose on what was already a rigid set of restrictions and regulations, to take effect in May.

The current Provo City code defines a public dance as any dance "to which the public generally may gain admission, with or without payment of fees."

Under the new provisions, public-dance hosts would be required to "use metal detectors, wand detectors and surveillance cameras at entrances; maintain a secure perimeter around the premises and observe noise abatement laws."

Additionally, public dance and dance hall operators would be required, under the new provisions, to "provide on the premises trained security personnel and a person who is trained in advanced first aid and CPR."

The majority of college students have neither the means nor the access to such materials, let alone the $75 required for each public-dance license under the amended code. Few, if any students would be able to legally host such dances considering the cost.

One additional problem with the new provisions is their vague nature.

A summary of the amendments states that "whether a particular place is 'open to the public' is a fact question which must be answered on a case-by-case basis."

Any and all cases, therefore, are subject to interpretation. It seems the Council is not even wholly clear as to what exactly a public dance is.

Council members who voted in favor of the amendments vow that they are not trying to punish students, but are only seeking to make Provo a safe environment for residents.

The new restrictions, however, are not likely to increase safety.

If anything, they will simply discourage well-intentioned students from hosting the parties and dances that are such a big part of the Provo social scene.

In a city filled with college students, public dances are a means to meet new people, listen to local bands and foster a spirit of camaraderie among students in the community.

In a statement on Provo Mayor Lewis Billings' Web page, the mayor writes, "Provo City is a wonderful place to live, work and to play."

However, if the dance hall amendments stand, his statement may well become empty words to thousands of students.

The approved amendments are not scheduled to go into effect until May 1 – the Council still has time to change its mind.

We urge Council members to reconsider their recent decision and to recognize that dancing is not a crime.

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Student body elections: Let the games begin

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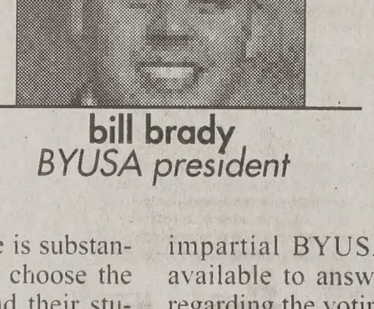


bill brady
BYUSA president

On Wednesday morning a yearly phenomenon returned to BYU campus: student body elections.

At a press conference held in the WSC Terrace, each of the candidate pairs had two minutes to introduce themselves and their platforms.

By now you have noticed the metamorphosis that takes place annually as elections begin.

Banners and posters with people's names and faces plastered on them, campaign workers scurrying across the quad to hand out flyers, and a sudden abundance of articles about BYUSA in The Daily Universe all indicate that elections are in full swing.

Let the games begin.

No doubt there are some out there who wonder why we go through this process that, even I will admit, gets a little monotonous by the time it is over.

The answer is simple. There is substantial worth in letting students choose the two individuals who will lead their student association and act as official student representatives to President Merrill J. Bateman, other administrators and the community for the next year.

Although BYU gave up its traditional style of student government in the late 1980s in exchange for a service model, the need still exists for student views and concerns to be represented to the appropriate university officials.

BYUSA provides the established channels for that type of communication to occur.

This year, nine student body president and executive vice president candidate pairs have thrown their hats into the ring.

Some have extensive experience as student body officers, and some are relative newcomers to the student association. All stand ready to do their best to serve the students of BYU over the course of the next year.

Each pair has prepared a platform from which they will vie for your support.

That platform imbues the spirit of the leadership they propose to offer the student body. It also outlines the issues and plans they will pursue should they be elected.

Over the course of the next eight days they will avail themselves to be judged and scrutinized by you.

On what basis should they be judged and scrutinized? I would encourage readers to get to know all the candidate pairs and evaluate them according to some specific criteria:

— Who has the best, most realistic plan?

— Who will actually be able to connect to administrators and accomplish their plan should they be elected?

— Who has the passion and the drive to serve you (the job takes about 40 hours a week) for the next twelve months?

-- Whose motives are pure?

During the course of the elections a team of impartial BYUSA volunteers will be available to answer students' questions regarding the voting process.

They will have a booth set up in the WSC Terrace where they will also make available campaign materials for all the different candidates.

Voting begins today on Route Y, http://ry.byu.edu, where students need to simply log in and select the voting application.

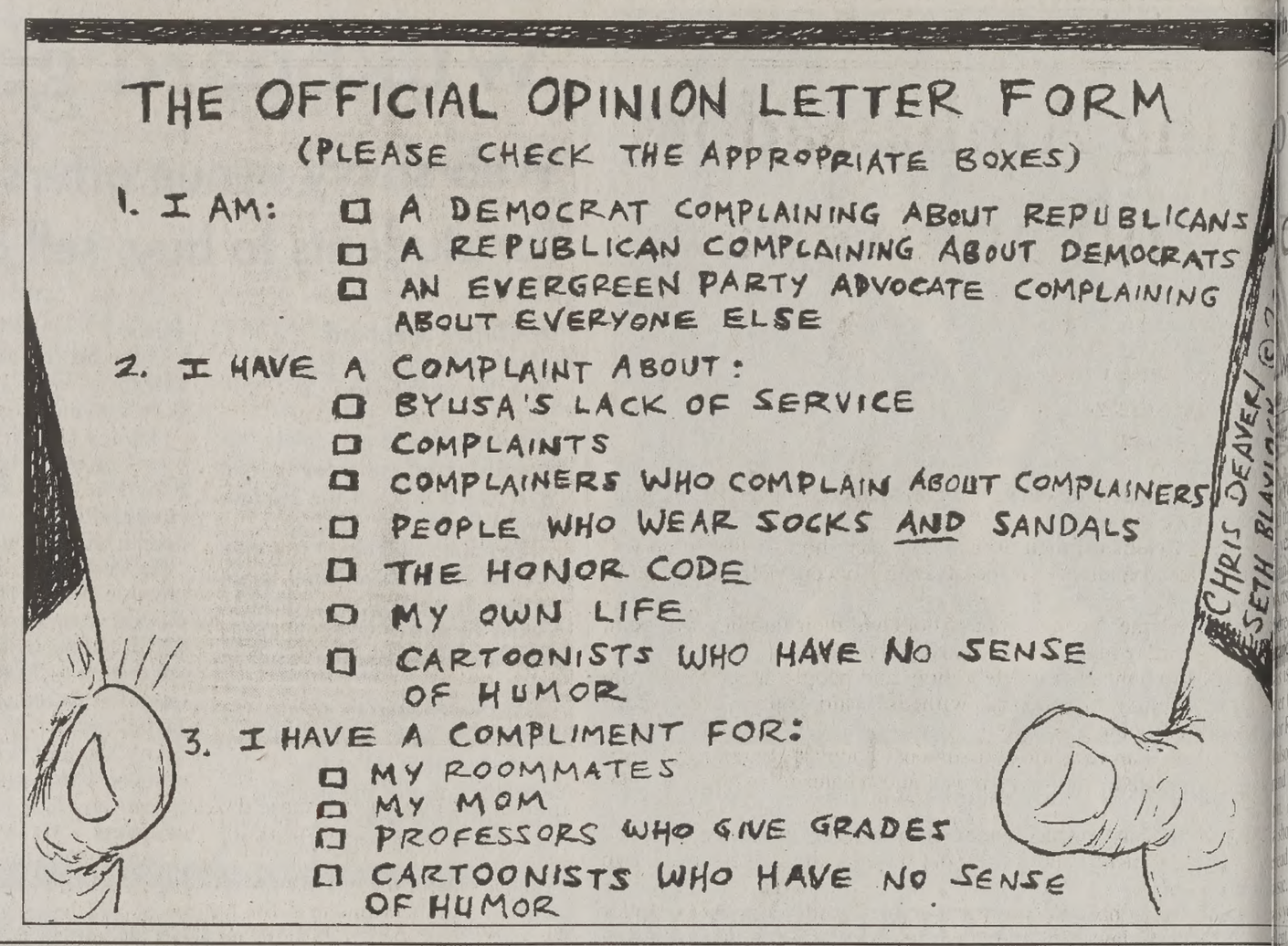
Voting in the primary elections will continue until Monday, Feb. 12, at 5 p.m., at which time two candidate pairs will be announced as finalists in a press conference in the WSC Terrace.

On the morning of Tuesday, Feb. 13, the final round of voting on Route Y will begin and last until Feb. 16 at 5 p.m.

The new student body president and vice president will be announced at the a cappella Jam in the WSC Ballroom at 7:30 p.m. that same evening.

During this election, take time to get to know that candidates and find out why they are doing what they are doing.

Your participation is important to the process, and your vote will make a difference.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READERS' FORUM

Bring back the letters

Dear Editor,

Let's be honest with ourselves. Nobody really likes to read all of these intellectually stimulating Reader's Forums we've been having lately.

I mean, I know I'm not the only one who misses reading Tuesday and Thursday editions, sighing in disgust at the name-calling, narrow-minded, sarcastic letters.

I for one, am sick and tired of all the intellectual mumbo-jumbo in the letters lately!

I don't want to open up the paper and see words like "usurpation," "eviscerate," and "quip." I want to see "shame on you," "self-righteous," and "Honor Code violation."

This isn't the real world — this is BYU. We don't want to read serious letters about politics, education, or the downfall of Western Civilization.

I'm calling for a return to the truly pressing issues we face here at BYU: making fun of cheerleaders, criticizing the inappropriateness of the single-strap backpack, drivers criticizing pedestrians (and vice-versa), and cross-gender criticism.

I even miss those letters pleading for people to write about "real" issues. So, let's put the entertainment value back into the Reader's Forum. Tuesdays and Thursdays will be better for everyone!

Abby McCutcheon
Elk, Wash.

Skin cancer danger

Dear Editor,

As I read the Feb. 1 article, "Tanning salons thrive in winter," about the popularity of tanning beds among students I became slightly alarmed.

While catching some rays at a local tanning salon may cheer a person up during the "sunless months of winter," those same people may have major regrets as they grow older and develop skin cancer.

Skin cancer is a serious concern in Utah County as incidence rates are comparable to those for lung cancer.

In fact, according to the American Cancer Society, more women in Utah County will get skin cancer this year than lung cancer.

While I am sure that no BYU student would think of picking up a cigarette, maybe we ought to think before we lay down in tanning beds.

Jeffrey Blackmun
American Cancer Society Volunteer
Seal Beach, Calif.

We're not passive

Dear Editor,

With BYUSA elections starting and with all the campaign hustle and bustle, I hope that we can prove our current student body president wrong when he called us the "passive generation" in his column published on Feb. 1.

I think Bill Brady's remark that the BYU student body is passive to the point that we don't remember why we celebrate Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday shows that our student body president has little faith in those he represents.

Not only that, but over 500 students participated in the service project, sponsored by the Jacobson Center on Martin Luther King Day. They were only expecting 200. Is that kind of participation considered passive?

Brady wrote that, "the problem is that we find little in our world worth fighting for," shows a shallow perspective.

In my three years at BYU, I have found many issues that I believed in, and easily found ways to get involved.

There are opportunities for involvement everywhere. I am consistently surprised at how many students take advantage of them.

I believe that we are actually more "active" today than in earlier generations. Technology brings so many things to our fingertips. We just need to know where to look.

A large percentage of the student body is aware of current events, world issues and understand that there are still people in this world fighting daily battles for their civil rights, to put bread on the table and to keep roofs over their heads.

Over half of the BYU student body has lived in other countries and experienced the poverty and the grief and suffering firsthand.

I don't believe that you have to be in a picket line, fight a war or lead a struggle to be involved in the world.

With the campaigning season here again, let's not be the "passive generation" Brady referred to and elect someone who can help us expand our minds, get involved and who believes in and can represent the BYU student body.

Christianne Salisbury
Riverton

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BYUSA bureaucracy

Dear Editor,

BYUSA is a great service organization. They do a great job of organizing service activities and maintaining service organizations, planning campus events, and running much of the behind-the-scenes work that makes campus life enjoyable.

They stink at government.

In my mind, government is more than bureaucracy. Government is leading the masses, not just managing them.

Perhaps earlier administrations of this university, were right when they revamped the student government into BYUSA in an attempt to remove and control conflict.

However, I think they successfully removed conflict by removing passion.

Bill Brady, the BYUSA president, recently wrote an editorial where he suggested we are a passive generation if we don't vote in the BYUSA elections.

I find it conspicuous that the issues he linked to activity, such as racism, sexism, bigotry, religious persecution, and poverty are never addressed by BYUSA presidential candidates.

Perhaps Bill knew that "I will create the Hub" really isn't a great rallying cry.

It is hard to feel passion for any candidate when they all sound the same: We will fight for our agenda until the administration vetoes our agenda!

BYUSA is a club devoted to working with the administration. It is not a student government led by students for the students.

I have about as much interest in voting for the president of Bill's club as I do in voting in the president of the NRA. I don't belong to either of them.

When campaigners intercept me on the sidewalk, I will gladly tell them I have no interest in voting for the president of a club to which I don't belong.

Dustin Harker
Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada

Student computers

Dear Editor,

I received an e-mail regarding a st... on whether or not students shoul... required to own a personal computer.

Let me state first that I think this ... step in the right direction to ma... information more readily available t... entire student population.

My concern has to do with the fun... of this proposal.

I feel that if computers are require... all students, the cost should be subsi... by the school or calculated into ... tuition requirements so that those ... on federal financial aid can get mon... pay for them.

Otherwise, we will be stuck in the ... rut as always, with a large number o... dents unwilling or unable to affo... computer.

David Tilton
Bremerton, Wash.

Television response

Dear Editor,

With some consternation we reac... Russell Hansen's polemical and vitu... tive letter regarding television and th... turpitude thereof.

Under an air of probity, he claimed ... vision had "single-handedly manag... eviscerate and trivialize all facets o... culture" and that "television – the ... um and its message – deserve cen... not praise."

These are equivocal statements, ter... at best, grossly erroneous at worst. ... us to elucidate our dissidence and ... buse these fallacies so shamelessly ... seminated.

First, we find the idea of the inh... inimicability and eviscerative abiliti... television to be abstruse.

The medium of television so desc... of censure includes the tube, ca... antennae, satellites and receivers ... could also include VCRs, DVDs, ... tapes and disks.

These are all inherently inimical ... The ideas disseminated through the m... um foment human baseness, bu... medium is not responsible. We ca... make the same argument against ... publications, computers and the sp... word. Are these mediums also inimi...

Now the alleged evisceration of ou... ture. Once eviscerated, an organ ... undoubtedly expires.

So our culture is dead? What cultu... that? Isn't television a mere repres... of our culture? A mirror?

Television executives do not pro... inchoate programs. Careful researc... involved: it is what our culture wa... see. Television does not create or de... our culture, it reflects it.

We compliment the ebullience o... Hansen and while this response is ... aberrant, we do not intend it to be s... cilious or banal. We do feel it a com... surate response.

Although teetering on the edge of ... bombastic, we hope it is mentally sa... ous.

Cuz, like, dude, the tube's, like, te... awesome 'n' stuff!

Jason Aase, Orem
Jared Lyman, Los Alamos, N.M.
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oung Ambassadors ck off anniversary

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Staff Writer

Young Ambassadors have sung and danced in over 50 countries the globe during the past 30 years.
ear — to kick off their 30th anniversary show — the group will n a special audience in the de Jong Concert Hall in the Harris ts Center.
reds of former Young Ambassadors and their families will be in nce Saturday night for the anniversary show.
is a 30th anniversary celebration, and people are coming from r the country to celebrate with us," said Young Ambassador Randy Boothe.
so extends an invitation to students, faculty, community mem- d anyone else who loves music and theater to join in the cele-

how offers an exciting combination of song and dance designed ad the joy of life and the gospel through the universal medium c, he said.
year's show has really come together," said Young Ambassador nt, Jason Celaya, 25, a junior from Foster City, Calif., majoring c dance theater.
very high-energy, high-impact show with a lot of spectacular s from Broadway to Ricky Martin," he said.
6 members of this year's group have been rehearsing since Sep- to get their show, "Curtain Time," ready for the road, said

ve put a lot into the show," said Summer Wood, 18, a freshman from Sandy majoring in music dance theater.

"We've learned how to work together because we've been through a lot," Wood said.

Rehearsals for the group consist of both vocal and dance work.

Group members rehearse for four to five hours every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays.

"As tedious as the rehearsals can get, it's fun to be with each other," said Suzie Jacobsen Balser, 22, a senior from Sandy majoring in music dance theater.

"You love performing with the people you love."

In preparation for the show this weekend, rehearsals have become even more demanding.

Group members have been at the theater past midnight each night and have had to perform song and dance numbers over and over again while working with the stage crew.

"The week is very tiring at times, and we do get behind in our schoolwork," said Dave Kimball, 24, a senior from Sandy majoring in marketing.

"But by the time this weekend comes, it will all be worthwhile because of the fun we have when we're performing and the fun that we see the audience has by attending," he said.

The show — a musical review of the 1900s and Broadway — opens tonight in the de Jong Concert Hall in the HFAC and runs through Saturday.

Tickets are selling quickly and can be purchased at the HFAC Box Office — $8 for students and $10 for the public.

Young Ambassadors gear up at rehearsal for their performances this weekend. "Curtain Time" will be their 30th anniversary show.

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Crowton's crop features familiar face

Former star returns from Dixie College

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NewsNet Sports Writer

For all the newness of the BYU football team — with a new head coach and shuffled assistants — it was actually someone from years past who highlights BYU's recruiting class.

Junior Mahe, who left school in June 1999 under review from the Honor Code Office for possible violations, is transferring back from Dixie College.

"He's grown a lot," head coach Gary Crowton said Wednesday as the Cougars announced their incoming class on national letter-of-intent day. "He's done everything he's been asked to do."

Mahe rushed for 481 yards as a freshman running back in 1998, but Crowton expects him to play wide receiver in the fall.

Highlighting the list of recruits are a handful of junior-college transfers who should be able to make an immediate impact, including Spencer Nead, a standout tight end at Ricks College.

"He'll make everybody more competitive," Crowton said.

Crowton and Co. wanted to solidify a the offensive line with this year's recruits, and they think they did just that with high-school stars Travis Bright from Arizona and Jeff Rhea from South Jordan, Salt Lake County.

"We did really well to handle our needs," Crowton said.

Local product Bryant Atkinson, Timpview High School's most valuable player this past season, will play for the Cougars as a linebacker.

"We got most of the guys we went after," Crowton said.

Other players who will fight for playing time on defense as newcomers include defensive backs Aaron Francisco and O'neil Howell and defensive lineman John Denney.

File photo

Junior Mahe, pictured in this 1999 practice photo, is returning to BYU after leaving school under a cloud of alleged Honor Code violations. Mahe will likely move from running back to receiver.

Team slated for just five home games

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Here's a switch: BYU is scheduled for seven road games and only five home games this football season.

"Because of prior obligations, we knew going in to the scheduling process we would be on the road more than we would be able to play at home," BYU athletic director Val Hale said. "Obviously playing five games at home isn't the ideal situation, but given the circumstances, we are very pleased with the schedule."

BYU goes head-to-head against four teams which posted a combined 4-0 record in bowl games during the 2000 season.

MWC Champion Colorado State, which finished the season 10-2, knocked off Louisville in the Liberty Bowl, while UNLV (8-5) defeated Arkansas in th Las Vegas Bowl. Air Force (9-2 beat Fresno State at the Silico Valley Bowl, while Mississipp State edged Texas A&M at th Independence Bowl.

"We're all looking forward t this year's schedule," BYU hea coach Gary Crowton said. "We' have to play well on the road t win our conference."

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are committed to excellence in ects of our athletic programs at President Merrill J. Bateman This new facility will clearly the baseball and softball pro- to another level."

Wednesday afternoon, the uni- opened the park's doors to ers of the media, giving them a its concrete innards.

guide Gary Pullins, a former baseball coach, used words like "incredible" and "outstanding" to describe the facility while leading the group through its labyrinth of unfinished rooms.

> "I can promise there won't be a better venue to watch baseball in America."
>
> — Val Hale, BYU athletic director

Architect Valentiner/Crane of Salt Lake City thought of everything to make sure the players, fans and media are comfortable at Miller Park.

The players are provided with spacious clubhouses shaped like home plate, a large equipment storage area and even indoor batting cages where they can warm up before games. The interior will also house the baseball and softball offices.

Outside, fans will enjoy games from theater-style seats instead of bleachers and a large, glass press box will protect reporters from bad weather.

Even the umpires are provided for, their locker rooms coming "complete with Braille plates, so they can find their way," Pullins joked.

BYU assistant baseball coach Hank Taylor is excited about working in such a luxurious environment.

"This is top of the line," he said. "This is a big-league facility, just on a smaller scale. That's what's going to make it exciting."

Strolling through a dimly-lit, cement hallway underneath the stands, Cougar catcher Stephen Snow shares his coach's excitement. He smiles as he imagines walking from the clubhouse to the dugout, listening to the spikes on his cleats echoing off the walls.

There are still almost two months of construction before Snow or any of the other Cougars get that chance.

Despite some minor delays because of bad weather in November, construction has proceeded according to schedule, said Craig Lybbert, construction project coordinator.

BYU will play its first game in its new home when the baseball team faces New Mexico on April 12, followed by an official grand opening when Utah visits April 21.

When Larry H. Miller, the primary donor behind the project, throws out the first pitch, athletic director Val Hale is confident a new standard of collegiate baseball/softball facilities will be set.

"This will be one of the premier designs of a baseball/softball complex in America, if not the premier design," he said. "I can promise there won't be a better venue to watch baseball in America."

Rugby club opens at OSU

By Shannon Beck
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It's open season for BYU's rugby club team, and only the most intense players will make the cut.

The Cougars face Oregon State today, and BYU's coaches were still deciding this week who would make the 21-man traveling team.

"At this point, it will be hard to tell who is going to come through and command a regular place on the team, until we play a couple of the first games," coach David Smyth said.

At the beginning, "We are always a little bit in the dark," he said.

Coach David Smyth said he likes to see players who will contribute a lot to the team — something he expects from senior David Maag.

"He plays with a lot of emotion, and when he keeps that emotion in check, he contributes a lot to the team," Smyth said.

Last year, BYU blew out Oregon State by 40 points.

"They have been looking to pay us back, and they are looking forward to this game," fullback Jared Kirkwood said.

The coaches have to fill 15 starting positions and six alternate positions for the 21-man traveling squad.

Still, nothing will be completely settled for awhile, since the roster may fluctuate throughout the year.

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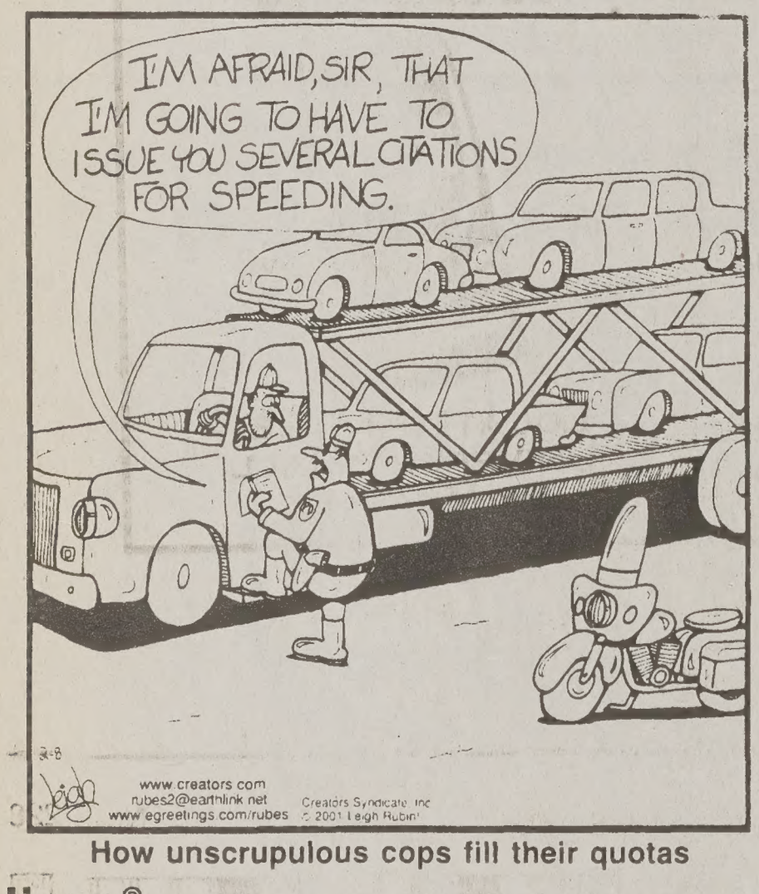

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New park haven for skaters

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To help ease the destructive nature of some teenagers, Springville has a new attraction: a skateboarding park.

Tuesday night's city council meeting gave the go-ahead to push forward design plans for a new skateboarding park.

Alan Curtis, Springville's park and recreation director, said the council began to consider building the park when concerned mothers and children came forward over a year ago.

"It is a problem. There's just a small group that use the high school and take bumper blocks off to use as rails or jumps," Curtis said.

Jared Bingham, 20, from Orem, said he agrees there is a need for a place for kids to skate.

"A park would totally help. People skate where they can because there's nowhere else to go," Bingham said.

Apparently, the popularity of skateboarding has grown in the last decade, Bingham said.

"It's a growing trend. Skateboarding is really difficult because you need coordination to do tricks," Bingham said.

A park will ease the destructive nature and the bad reputation skateboarding receives from businesses, Bingham said.

Police would have to monitor the area, but because of the location, it would not be a problem, Curtis said.

"When you build something like this, it opens up problems like garbage and just making a mess," Curtis said.

Derek Bitter, 23, from Los Angeles, who has not declared a major, said he would consider using the park.

A skateboarding park does not have to be only for skateboarders.

"Skateboarding is popular, but rollerbladers would use it, too," Bitter said.

Plans for the park include ramps, rails, stairs and maybe even a half pipe, said Curtis.

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Utah law won't go up for repeal

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> "We're not comfortable changing (the term-limits law) without some more input from the public."
> — Pres. Al Mansell, Utah Senate president

House and Senate leaders Wednesday that a legislation — offering a bill to Utah's seven-year-old limits law — might not be ed this year.

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eclined an interview with ily Universe but sent his o confirm he was pulling e-support off his current mits repeal bill.

e President Al Mansell, R-e, agreed with Stephens but added that the Senate may support a voter referendum on the issue.

"The Senate is almost universally supportive of doing something with it, (but) we're not comfortable changing it without some more input from the public," he said.

Mansell suggested that the matter could be put to voters in a state referendum in 2002, but that the Senate would leave it alone until then.

Merrill Cook, Utah's colorful ex-congressman who led a 1994 proposition campaign to impose six-year term limits on state officers, called legislators looking to repeal the law "phonies."

"It would be a very cynical move to repeal it now. It shows that they were just playing politics back in 1994," he said.

The House has passed a term-limit repeal twice before, in 1999 and 2000, only to have it killed in the Senate.

Sen. Ed Mayne, D-West Valley City, said the Senate is reluctant to go back on its word.

"A lot of people voted for term limits and going back on that now is just a real hypocritical gameplay," he said.

Rep. Kory Holdaway, R-Taylorsville, said the House isn't dishonest, just different-minded.

"It's just the dynamics of the group over here," he said.

When he was elected two years ago, Holdaway said he was a staunch supporter of term limits. After being overwhelmed with the avalanche of policy and paper during the legislative session, he changed his mind.

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16 Like a nerd
17 Bubble maker
18 "Enough rain already!"?
20 Tax chart divisions
22 Addles
23 Certain frosh
24 Noodle
25 Dress for the desert?
28 Infantile outburst
31 Get rid of wrinkles
32 Not be brave
33 "Primal Fear" star
34 Operetta princess and others
35 Southern dish
37 Turnarounds, informally
38 Clone
39 Aragón article
40 Astrological chart divisions
41 Hosp. areas
42 Mountain resort famous for its breath mints?
45 Kind of rock
46 Free-spoken
47 As part of a company
50 "The Seduction of Joe Tynan" star
53 Departed a sheikdom?
55 Natalie Cole hit "___ Love"
56 Certain corn chip
57 Italy's ___ di Pisa
58 Salon job
59 Side in a debate
60 Visual putdown
61 Pig ___

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1 Sheik, e.g.
2 Child of fortune?
3 Places for spare parts, maybe
4 Some pitches
5 It multiplies by dividing
6 Licked
7 Chorus from the sidelines
8 Abbr. in a business letter
9 Con's misfortune
10 Frighten
11 At the home of
12 Biblical herd
13 Selects, with "for"
19 A whole lot
21 Stylish
24 Very dry, as wine
25 Enliven, with "up"
26 Hot blood
27 Hand-holder?
28 Fast result?
29 "There ___ free lunches"
30 "Steppenwolf" author
33 Vast tropical region of South America
35 Baum's good witch
36 Firm foundation
40 Major upset
42 Engines with oomph
43 With tantaras galore
44 Eau ___, Wis.
45 Page of music
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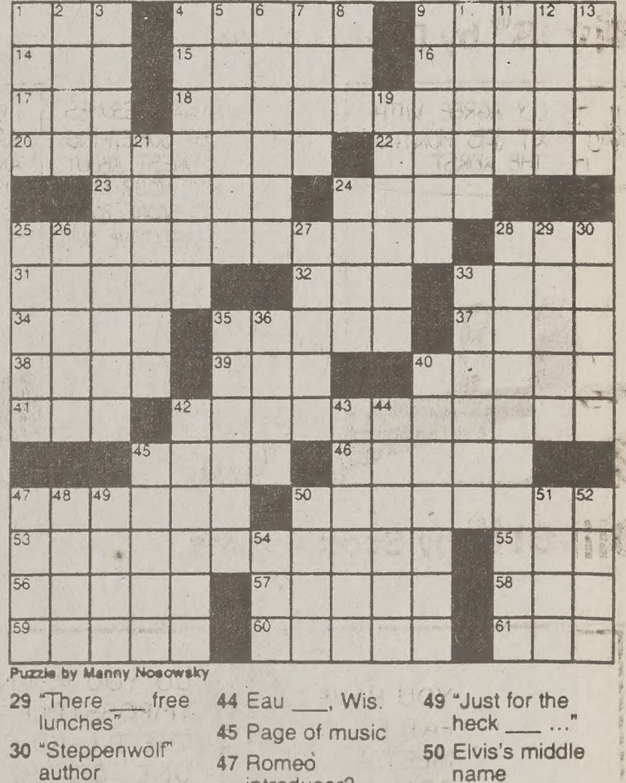

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Sharon's election victory may not equal Israeli unity

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Ariel Sharon's more-than-25 percent victory over former Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak does not mean Israel is united behind their president-elect. Many citizens able to vote did not participate in Tuesday's election.

Israel's voter turnout is usually around 80 percent — among the highest in the democratic world. But there is nothing usual about this special election — the first prime minister election to be held independent of Knesset elections.

The Associated Press reported Tuesday that prime minister special elections had near-record low participation: about 65 percent of eligible voters cast ballots.

Faisal Al-Rfouh, associate visiting professor from Jordan University, shared a possible explanation for why voter turnout was so low.

"Both candidates support Jewish superiority, oppress Palestinian rights and fail to recognize the Security Council's resolution," Faisal explained.

According to Faisal, many Palestinians do not support either Barak or Sharon because, though the two candidates proclaim differing agendas, to Arabs, "both are the same — one coin with two faces."

"It is an interesting situation," Faisal said, "they couldn't vote for Sharon because he is a Lukuid secularist," and Barak was not a top choice because Palestinians hold him responsible for "13 Arab deaths after the antifatah."

"It's my understanding that Barak attributes his loss to the lack of voter turnout," said Matthew Grey, 25, a senior from Frankfurt, Ill., majoring in Ancient Near Eastern Studies. "It seems that people didn't want to vote for either of them."

Both men have participated in the Israeli armed forces and other nationalistic activities.

Choosing a candidate for many Palestinians became a choice many chose not to take, as illustrated by the lack of voter participation.

"Barak couldn't get peace," Grey said, "and the people probably thought Sharon would lead to war ... that's probably why they didn't vote."

In opposition to elections, Palestinians declared election Tuesday a "day of rage" in an effort to protest both candidates, reported the Associated Press.

Rami Nazzal, a BYU student from Jerusalem said, "with Sharon coming into power, all the Palestinians will be living in hell."

"We pray and hope that the peace process will continue," Nazzal said, "but the people in the street will still fight."

Faisal agrees that though the outcome of the election may pose new obstacles in the peace process, the process must continue, for "by peace everybody wins, during war everybody loses."

Israeli leader claims 'indivisible' city

Associated Press

JERUSALEM — A day after his lopsided election win, Prime Minister-elect Ariel Sharon stood before the massive tan stones of the Western Wall on Wednesday and proclaimed Jerusalem the "eternal and indivisible capital of Israel."

Sharon made his comments — which pointedly counter Palestinians claims to the city — at the base of a disputed hilltop shrine he visited amid great controversy last September.

Many Palestinians saw that visit as a provocation at the site — known to Jews as the Temple Mount and to Muslims as the Noble Sanctuary. Israeli officials say the Palestinians used the issue as a pretext for launching an uprising, which contributed to the defeat of Prime Minister Ehud Barak.

Sharon's appearance Wednesday at the Western Wall, which forms one exterior wall of the Temple Mount and is controlled by Israel, was not nearly as provocative as his previous visit.

Still, his remarks just outside Jerusalem's most bitterly contested religious site were loaded with political symbolism.

"I am visiting Jerusalem, the capital of the Jewish people for the past 3,000 years, and the eternal and indivisible capital of Israel, with the Temple Mount at its center for all eternity," Sharon said.

Visiting the Western Wall, the holiest site for Jewish prayer, is a tradition among newly elected Israeli prime ministers. With bodyguards clustered nearby, Sharon held a prayer book in one hand and rubbed the rough stone wall, standing in place for a moment without speaking.

Dozens of Orthodox Jews in black coats and hats looked on in the plaza, while some onlookers scrambled onto rooftops for a view. "Only Sharon will bring peace," said one man.

Sharon has repeatedly emphasized his commitment to keeping all of Jerusalem under full Israeli control — a major point of contention with the Palestinians, who are seeking the city's eastern sector for the capital of a future s

> "I am visiting Jerusalem, the capital of the Jewish people for the past 3,000 years and the indivisible capital of Israel."
> —Ariel Sharon
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The contested Jerusalem hi is home to two mosques.

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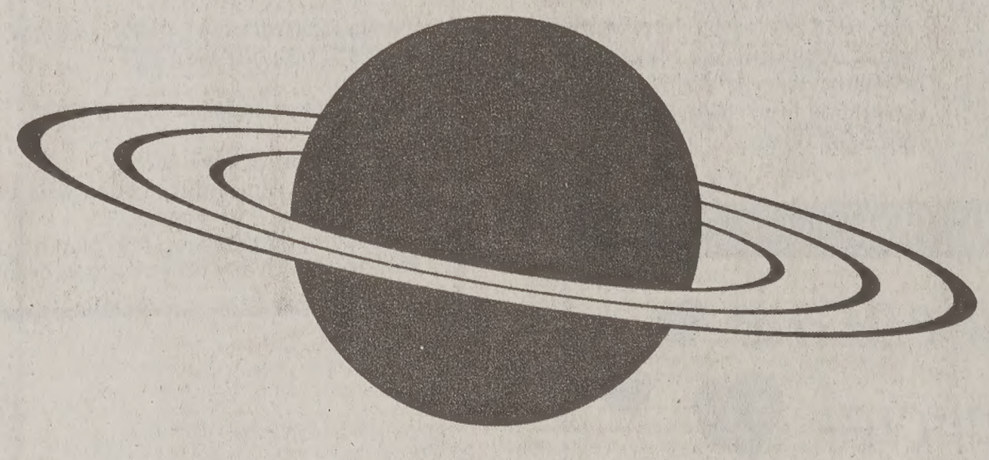

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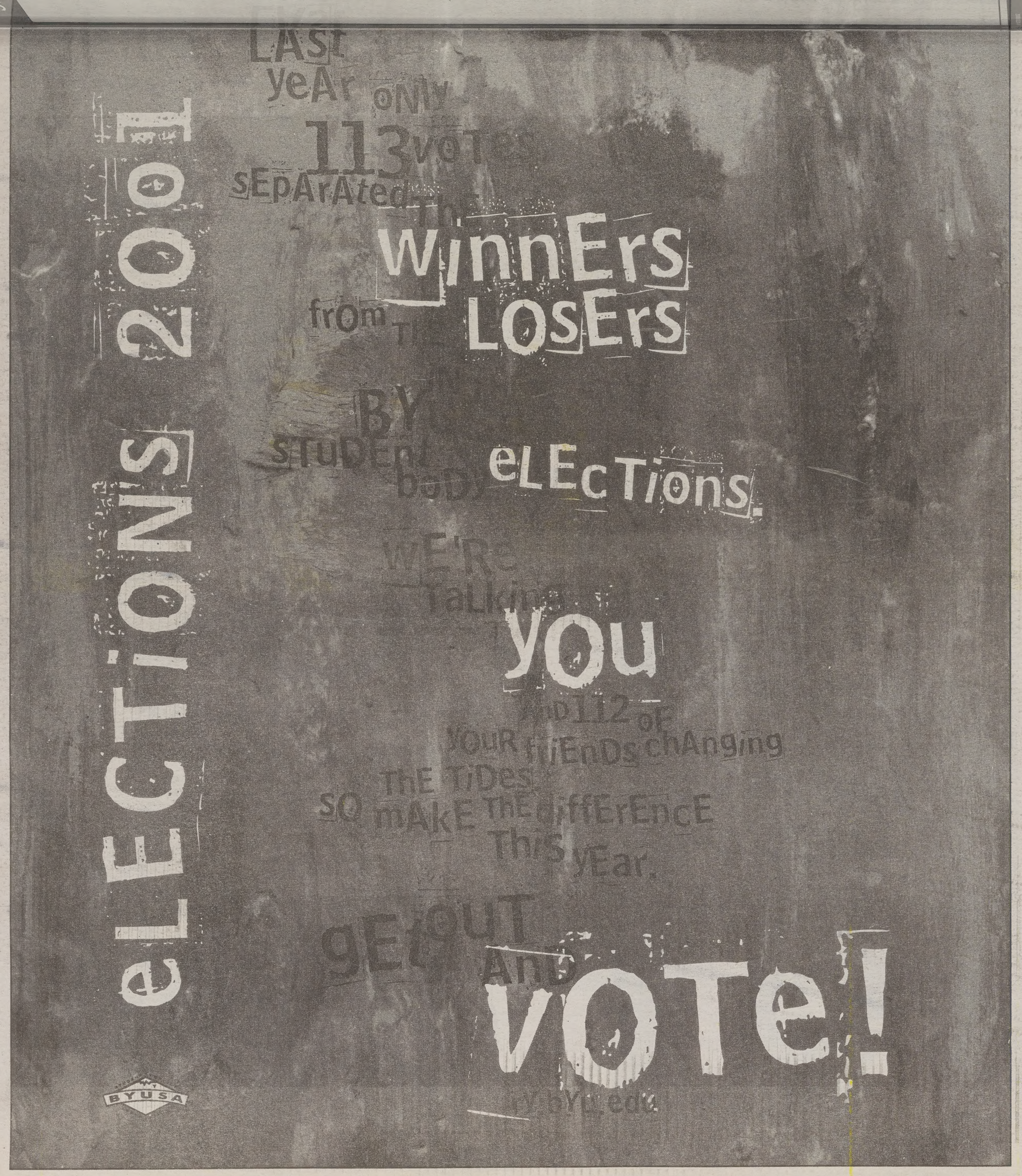

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Matt Blackner/Andria Uale

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"Experience more," illustrates the goals for BYUSA presidential candidate Matt Blackner and vice-president Andria Uale.

They chose this theme because they want the university experience to be more than just schoolwork.

One way Blackner, 23, a junior from Tacoma, Wash., majoring in international studies, and Uale, 20, a junior from Honolulu, Hawaii, majoring in music education, are preparing to put this plan into action is by effectively informing students of what is available to them.

Blackner said they want to inform students by having television monitors in campus building lobbies that will scroll campus-wide announcements and events throughout the day.

"We have gotten signatures from five different administrators so far saying they will allow the monitors in their building lobbies," he said.

Uale sees a new campus fitness facility as a necessity in the near future for BYU.

"The RB just doesn't cut it anymore," Uale said.

Blackner and Uale said they want to create a feasibility plan for a new campus fitness facility.

The plan would outline everything, from cost to construction details that would be involved in creating a new facility, enabling administration to see the feasibility of the new facility, Uale said.

Off-campus housing is another item Blackner/Uale plan to work on. They want to continue what the Brady/Sandberg administration started with, the off-campus housing rating system.

Blackner said they would give students incentives to rate their apartments. The ratings would be on aspects such as the ward, the management, and the living conditions.

They plan to create a publication with the results of the ratings, which would come out with the housing guide and be on the Web, Blackner said.

This would enable students to continually look up what previous tenants have thought about the facilities before they sign a contract.

Blackner and Uale also plan to improve teacher/student relationships and evaluations.

Blackner said he saw a need for this after he heard a report given by President Bateman, which indicated BYU's low standing in the teacher/student relationship category.

To accomplish this goal they would create a system where students can evaluate their teachers continually throughout the semester, Uale said.

The pair want to create a database in which students can look up evaluations about the classes they are thinking of signing up for.

Blackner and Uale said they feel that these things will help students get more than just a schoolwork experience at BYU.

Blackner has been involved with BYUSA for three years, this year serving as Vice-President of Activities.

Seth Miller, Blackner/Uale campaign manager, said Blackner knows BYUSA inside and out.

"He's got the experience that a BYUSA president needs," Miller said.

Uale has organized and implemented the Multicultural Student Organization and serves currently as the president of the Polynesian Club.

Being from a multi-cultural background, Uale said she wants to help everyone feel like they belong.

"I want to reach out to everyone on the edges and bring them into the core of BYU," she said, "I want to provide a special university experience to everyone."

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Adam Barlow, a junior from Burbank, Calif., majoring in American studies, and his running mate Seth Richardson, from Brittany, Louisiana, both love BYU.

Their goal as student officers will be to create a campus atmosphere in which every student can feel the same, they said.

"Our whole vision is to create a BYUSA that serves as a vehicle for students to have a good experience at BYU," Richardson said.

Barlow links increased student involvement with the achievement of their campaign goal.

Adam Barlow/Seth Richardson

"There is this murky confusion among students about how to be involved. They want to know where to go and what to do," Barlow said.

Barlow and Richardson have devised a campaign platform that will serve as a clarifying agent for students. They have identified five issues that detract from a positive experience at BYU.

First, Barlow and Richardson said they would like to see more active student associations involved with the Student Advisory Council.

"There are student groups who want to get involved and want to do good but have no influence with the system. They have to go through all this red tape to get things done. That's a problem," Barlow said.

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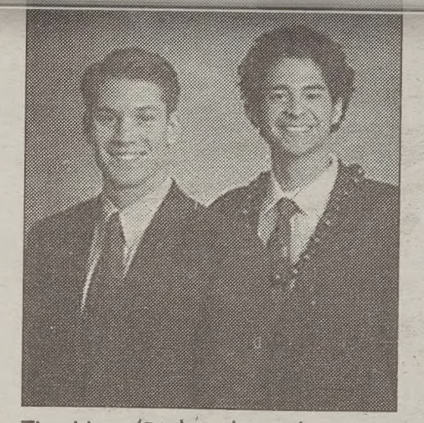

Tim Hart/Richard Rowley

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Expand your vision.

This is the platform motto for BYUSA Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates Tim Hart and Richard "Mo" Rowley, respectively.

"I love BYU and BYUSA, and I'm converted to their mission and purpose. I feel I can contribute a unique ability to love, lead, and inspire," said Hart, 24, a junior from Idaho Falls, majoring in media arts studies.

Hart and Rowley's main issues involve expanding the vision of BYU students and administration through communication, involvement, and service, according to

"We are trying to find that balance of advocating student views while promoting the work of a divinely appointed and directed administration," Hart said.

One of the ways he hopes to facilitate this network of communication among students and administration is through a Program and Policy feedback Web page.

According to the platform explanation, students would be able to access summaries of research done on issues being discussed by the Student Advisory Council, submit issues to be considered by the Council and be able to provide feedback on programs proposed by the administration.

Rowley, 23, a junior from West Valley, majoring in human development, currently serves as president of the Multicultural Student Organization, a performance group whose purpose is to testify of Jesus Christ and encourage higher education.

Rowley hopes to expand the Multicultural Student Organization to an association.

"With the Multicultural Student Association, we want to allow more (students) to have the same experience as they do in the Multicultural Student Organization."

Currently, the MSO cannot travel off-campus to perform and has strict time requirements for participation, Rowley said.

"We feel we can do a great service by facilitating projects already in the works. Many of our platform ideas, for example, originated from administrators," Hart said in reference to expanding BYU students' vision through service.

As The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints spreads worldwide, Rowley said he hopes the BYU student will develop a greater understanding of the cultural diversity that exists across the globe.

He hopes this understanding will also emphasize the unity that exists among peoples, Rowley said.

"Expand your vision. We emphasize learning about different cultures and learning different languages from different cultural perspectives," Rowley said.

Hart and Rowley said they feel they make a great team.

"As Tim (Hart) always says, he's a businessman who knows how to have fun," Rowley said. "And I'm a fun guy who knows how to get down to business."

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"BYUSA is about service, not about making policy for the university," Smoot said.

But make no mistake, the team plans to do everything in their power to make whatever changes that are possible.

"We want to be realistic, but we also want to have a vision," Smoot said.

Above all, the team wants students to know that their intentions are sincere.

"We want students to know they can trust us to be honest with them," Gubler said.

Smoot and Evans are running because they love the students of BYU and want to serve in full capacity.

"I'm running because I love BYU," Gubler said.

The students of BYU are the future leaders of this generation, Smoot said.

"I could not come to the end of next year and be satisfied unless I knew I'd given my all," Smoot said.

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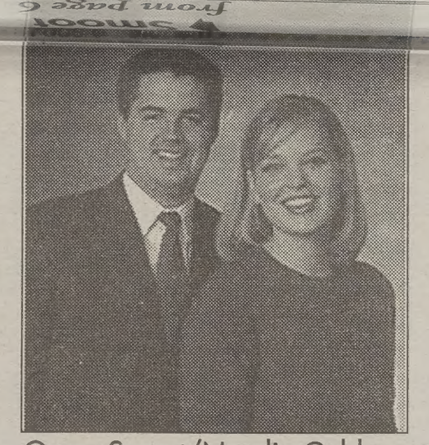

Owen Smoot/Natalie Gubler

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They're all smiles and hearty handshakes, but there's something substantial behind their air of confidence—personal experience, realistic goals and a plan to offer students something different from the competition.

Presidential candidate Owen Smoot, 24, a senior from Salt Lake City, majoring in finance, and vice-presidential candidate Natalie Gubler, 23, a senior from Davis, Calif., majoring in psychology are confident they have what it takes to deliver success to the students.

Both herald experience from far and wide and have prior experience serving with BYUSA.

Smoot just returned from a semester at Harvard where he studied government and middle eastern policy. He has experience from serving as a member of SAC and the elections credentials committee.

Gubler recently returned from serving in the Houston, Texas mission. She has chaired the elections committee, the United Club Council and was an Executive Director over campus organizations.

The dynamic duo has such a desire to serve that their team chemistry shows in everything they do.

"He's a hard worker and he's very professional," Gubler said of her running mate. "There's a great balance there because of his personality," she said.

"She's one of the most amazing women I've ever met," he said.

They plan to use their connective energy to put positive ideas into action.

"They have great teamwork and refined ideas," said Campaign Manager Jacob Evans, 24, a senior from Church Falls, Va., majoring in electrical engineering.

Providing students with the opportunity to get involved in the 2002 Winter Games will be the team's main focus.

"Next year the world is coming to our door quite literally," Smoot said.

It's a once in a lifetime opportunity for students to get involved, he said.

Not only will students benefit from world exposure, but it is also a chance for BYU to put forth a positive image.

"The image that BYU projects to the world through the Olympics could be the best missionary opportunity the church has had in years," Evans said.

In addition to involving students with the Olympics, the team plans on improving communication between students and administration, lobbying for more need based scholarships and promoting the Annual Fund, a proposal that would allow BYUSA sponsored clubs to perform service for the university in exchange for funding and support.

But what you won't find are the rich promises of free daycare, revised meal plans, parking expansions or a new housing plan as in years past.

"I've seen too many candidates promise the world when they couldn't deliver Provo," Evans said.

"Promising things that can't be delivered is bad policy," he continued.

BYUSA doesn't have the jurisdiction to implement lofty promises, the team said.

A lot of people misunderstand what BYUSA is all about, Gubler said.

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Barlow and Richardson also said they want to see as many clubs as possible involved with SAC. By getting students involved, they will be more informed as to what is going on and will consequently have a better experience at BYU.

Second, Barlow and Richardson aim to solve some of the housing complaints voiced by students on campus. They said poor conditions are due to lack of understanding regarding approved housing regulations.

Barlow and Richardson said they want to provide each student at BYU with a hard copy of BYU housing regulations, and a step-by-step explanation of what to do if housing requirements are not satisfied.

Third, Barlow and Richardson said they intend to tackle the long debated parking issue. Barlow said they hope to solve the problem by designating Y lots near campus for carpool use only.

Students would be required to purchase a special, more expensive sticker to park in these lots. Richardson said the extra revenue from the more expensive stickers would be used to employ a parking attendant to enforce the "carpool only" rule.

The fourth issue Barlow and Richardson will address is class registration.

Barlow and Richardson said they want to create an on-line information service that will provide students with teacher biographies.

"Through this web site, students can get a feel for what the class will entail and choose teachers that best fit their learning style," Barlow said.

The last issue Barlow and Richardson address in their campaign platform is the opportunity for students to participate in meaningful service activities.

Barlow said they will create a Web site that lists service opportunities and allows students to sign up on-line.

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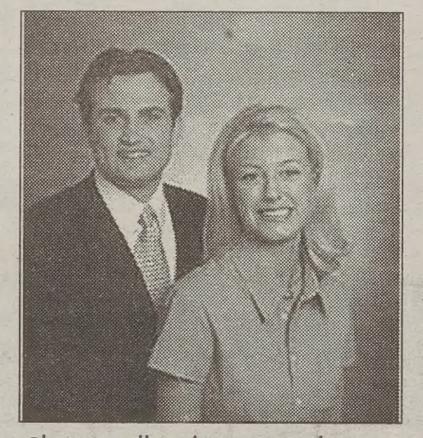

Chris Walker/Maren Robinson

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In fighting words, Walker and Robinson stand together on service, involvement, diversity and academics.

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Rachael Wilson/Audrey Perry

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"Believe." This is the 2001 BYUSA presidential election campaign theme for Rachael Anne Wilson, a senior from Dayton, Ohio, majoring in public relations, and Audrey L. Perry, a senior from Orem, double majoring in broadcast journalism and political science.

Wilson said "believe" is centered on the idea that students can be more, serve more and, ultimately, achieve more.

"We believe that there is an unlimited potential for good in each of us. At times, we fail to see all the possibilities and sell ourselves short of some of life's richest blessings," Wilson said. "This not only affects us, as individuals, but those around us, the community, and even the world."

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Walker, 21, offers himself to the candidacy eager to serve.

A member of BYUSA since August of last year, Walker currently serves as its Executive Director of service and programs.

Backed by a well-lit history of leadership and service involvement, Walker admires the operations within the university's student activity hub and seeks to build upon its already established foundation.

Robinson, 20 from Orem, also comes from a background rooted in volunteer and service activity.

A junior in English, minoring in psychology and business, Robinson first joined BYUSA in search of a place where she could get involved and best draw on leadership skills. She now serves as a program director for SAC, a subsection of BYUSA.

Both confident in each other's ability, Walker and Robinson are certain no feasibly logical issue will go overlooked.

Focusing on and promoting service; not only for the individual, but for the whole, the pair are committed to their chiming slogan, "United we stand as a University or divided we will fall."

Through collaboration and a mingling of multiple clubs and service projects, education and involvement activities – that will make smaller ventures, larger.

"Working with all these different clubs, I've seen amazing clubs do amazing things. By hosting multi-club activities, I want to unify them to do some larger scale projects," Walker said.

The Walker-Robinson platform is a four-corner proposal based on service, involvement, diversity and academics built on unity.

Implementation of these ideas, among numerous things, is the basis for a "pro-active" term in office.

"Both of us fully believe in the entire platform," said Robinson. "The difficult thing is not only trying to make the students realize the changes that need to be made, but also providing something that will happen. And the most we can promise is that we'll be pro-active in supporting students."

Promises that focus on freshmen, multicultural awareness, women's issues, services for students with disabilities, and academic improvements for incoming, current and honor's students upon graduation, as well as a Web site central to the university and a hub for student involvement, are the focus of this pair.

"Every promise we've made, we're going to keep," Walker said. "It's all about service and helping others and helping ourselves to become better people."

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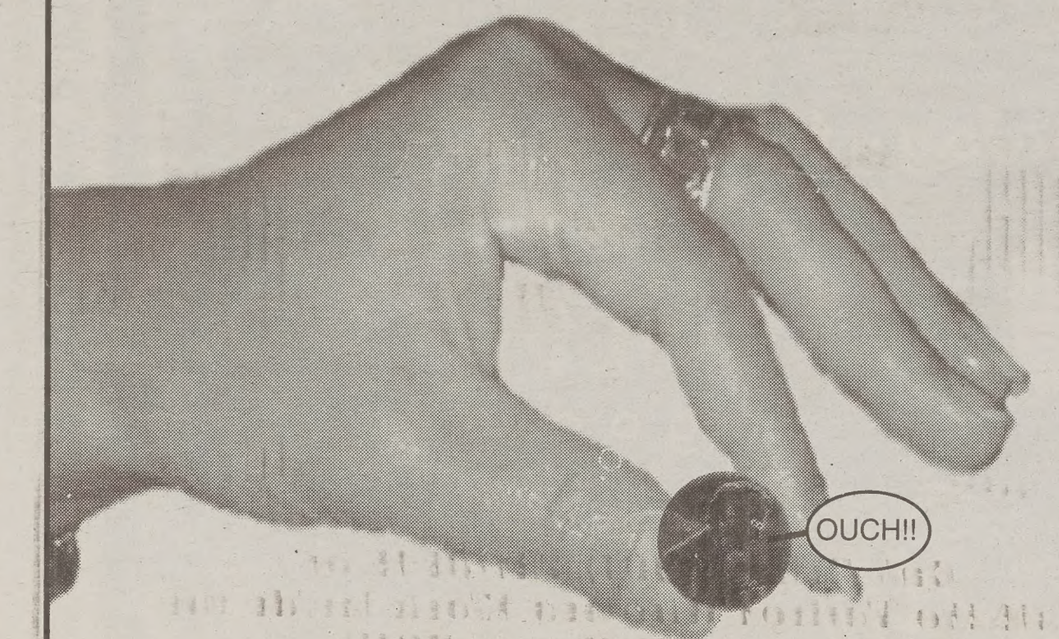

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Wilson said there are three words that describe her: valiant, persistent, and reliable.

She has worked on behalf of BYU in the Provo City Council, Lt. Gov. College Council on Civic Awareness, the Utah Intercollegiate Assembly and the Student Advisory Council and worked for BYUSA for over 3 years.

"Rachael has a lot of experience working for BYU, the community and the world," James Mainord said, campaign manager for Wilson and Perry. "It was an easy decision to accept when Rachael asked me to be her campaign manager."

Perry said that running for BYUSA office was not in her plans until Wilson asked that she be her running mate.

"I have a lot of faith in Rachael. She has a lot of experience inside and outside of BYUSA. She is the most qualified candidate I could possibly run with," Perry said.

Wilson and Perry's campaign platform focuses on service at BYU, service in the community and in the world.

At BYU, they will create Cougar Connection, a link from the student activities Web site that has information on events, clubs be involved or attend, Perry said.

Wilson and Perry will create the Student Housing Advocacy Group. This group of student volunteers will research off-campus housing and be the student voice to BYU's administration and city officials, according to Wilson.

Wilson and Perry plan to attack the issues dealing with off-campus housing booting and towing and the newly passed party ordinance.

An on-campus computer lab, which will be open 24-hours six days a week, is also in the plans for Wilson and Perry's campaign to help serve BYU.

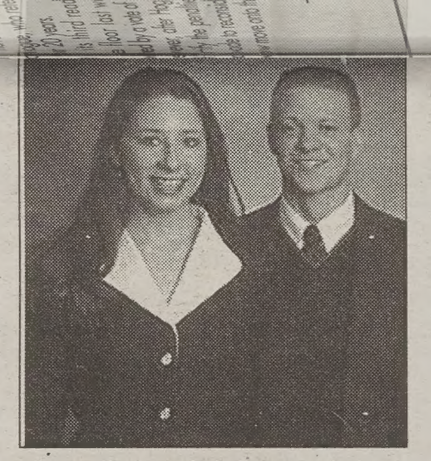
On a community level, Wilson and Perry will create a Teen Center. This center will be a place for teenagers in the community to hang out and be involved in wholesome activities, Wilson said.

The center will also be a place for BYU students to tutor and mentor teenagers.

Wilson and Perry also plan to head a Provo Clean-up and a Discover Utah program.

On a world level, a couple plans for Wilson and Perry include a Humanitarian Week and a Student Olympic Committee.

"After all my years of involvement at BYU, I believe many students don't see the opportunities around them and the difference they can make," Wilson said. "Believe. It's a vital part of BYU."



Amanda Cook/Clint Paulson

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Amanda Cook, 20, a junior from Taylorsville, majoring in communications, started playing the drums in sixth grade because, she much "character, attitude, spirit and love in one instrument."

Cook's friends would likely assert that she reflects these same qualities. Not only has she been involved with debate teams, jazz bands and cheerleading, she has also served with different service organizations.

Cook wants to employ this passion for leadership in a role that she is campaigning for this week: president of BYUSA.

Campaigning as her vice president is Clint Paulson, 22, a sophomore from Orem, majoring in English. Cook and Paulson met while serving as Y Group leaders last Summer Term.

"Amanda and I had a connection from the beginning. We just really hit it off as good friends," Paulson said.

Cook agreed. "We were a team right from the start," she said. Cook and Paulson first discussed their primary motives for wanting to lead BYU's largest service organization.

"It all came down to the fact that we were grateful to be here," Paulson said. "We feel that we can further the mission of BYUSA and we can continue to serve the university in a positive way."

Cook had a similar response. "This is where I can use my talents best," she said. " I'm looking for an opportunity to serve the students."

Their campaign platform includes four primary goals they plan to focus on if elected.

The first goal centers on involving BYU wards and stakes in

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Clark Pingree/Tara Holt

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Expanding experience, opportunity, communication and academics is the platform for Clark Pingree, candidate for BYU student body president and Tara Holt, his running mate.

Pingree, 25, a senior from Salt Lake City, majoring in finance, said he is excited about the intrigue of the presidency and has a lot to offer BYU.

Holt, 21, a junior from Dubuque, Iowa, majoring in both psychology and animal science, said, "He knows how to do things. When he sets his mind to something, he's going to get it done," Holt said.

Pingree started working with BYUSA three years ago. He is currently a Student Advisory Council representative for the Marriott School.

Holt, who has worked for BYUSA for two years, has been involved in seeking student feedback and is now a SAC representative.

Their involvement with SAC has taught them the important issues, what works and who to contact in administration, Holt said.

Pingree said their companionship is a system of checks and balances.

"I think the unique thing about different backgrounds and we have a different approach on a lot of things, but we work well together," he said.

Pingree and Holt want the Wilkinson Student Center to live up to its name. This includes adding microwaves, couches and a screen in the Terrace to show CNN, ESPN or BYU games, they said.

They propose expanding opportunities by implementing a long weekend during Winter Semester to serve as a spring break.

Pingree said the break is not only for recreation, but also to offer summer job interview opportunities and solve the burnout factor.

The last of their "three passions," Pingree said, is to expand communication between BYU and Provo City by creating advisement positions for students with the Provo City Council.

Students can have more voice on issues like towing, dances and zoning, Pingree said.

They also propose to expand communication and academics by creating a general academic help hotline, starting bi-monthly Q&A sessions between the BYUSA presidency and the student body and increasing general education tutoring.

"Our biggest goal for our presidency is to make BYUSA not a club that sponsors a lot of fun things, We'd like to see BYUSA be the umbrella organization that represents every student. Every student will have some kind of connection," Pingree said.

Mike Walker, 23, a junior from Moscow, Idaho, majoring in psychology, is the Pingree-Holt campaign manager.

"Clark and Tara are not your typical BYUSA reps," he said. "They are the acid and the base. Clark is willing to take risks and look at things from a different perspective, but Tara keeps him grounded and balances him out."

Matt Jaynes/Alisha Pixton

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The troops are assembled and the message is clear. BYUSA presidential candidate Matt Jaynes and his running mate Alisha Pixton are poised to promote their platform: "Looking Beyond Ourselves."

Jaynes, 25, is a junior from Heidelberg, Germany, majoring in economics and Pixton, 21, a junior from Seattle, is majoring in therapeutic recreation.

The Jaynes-Pixton platform has been under development for over six months. It focuses on three issues: humanitarian service, student involvement and leadership accountability for BYUSA and new technology.

"Our platform is not just something we put together when we heard elections were coming up," Pixton said.

As president of the Black Student Union, Pixton has been involved in directing activities including the annual Walk of Life for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day and the first Multicultural Freshman retreat.

John Gambee, the campaign manager, became involved when Matt Jaynes introduced his platform. He liked the idea and offered to help.

"The platform is real, it is attainable, and it is the right thing to do," he said.

Jaynes said looking beyond ourselves is the answer to success. Their plan includes incorporating humanitarian service projects

The duo is no stranger to service. Jaynes has volunteered for the Special Olympics. Pixton, a certified peer parent, is a volunteer for Utah Foster Care Foundation and a mentor with Wasatch Youth Corrections.

They said the service they are proposing will bless the lives of thousands of students, as well as the poorest members of our world campus.

Jaynes and Pixton intend to implement humanitarian service before elections.

"We are having lunchtime humanitarian service projects everyday for students to get involved in," Jaynes said.

The aim of "looking beyond ourselves" is not just about humanitarian service.

Jaynes and Pixton both said they pledge to increase accountability for campaign promises BYUSA leaders make prior to being elected.

Pixton said she aims to give power to students by encouraging them to rate the presidency's performance about every three months.

"We want to empower students to direct BYUSA," Jaynes said. "There is a very low voter turnout, because there is low accountability for BYUSA."

Technology is another focus of the campaign.

"The Hub, the Textbook Exchange, and Virtual Wilkboard are at risk of fizzling out," said Jaynes. "There is no other team that has a grasp of technology like our team."

The Jaynes-Pixton campaign has a team of volunteers ready to lend aid to their cause. With the help of campaign manager John Gambee, the pair approached people with specific skills that could assist them.

According to an informational packet distributed to campaign volunteers, the team will run a positive campaign in order to be consistent with the message of the team.

The group consists of specialists who focus on publicity, clubs, technology, scheduling and other essential campaign ele-

Campaign volunteers meet to discuss campaign goals and remind one another of the purpose of Jaynes' and Pixton's quest for the presidency: humanitarian services, student involvement and leadership accountability for BYUSA and new technology.

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BYUSA activities and service projects, in hopes to reach out to more of the student body.

The second goal includes the development of an Involvement Board, which they plan to use to make BYUSA more accessible to all students.

"We want people to recognize all the opportunities they can help with," Cook said.

A third program Cook and Paulson would like to implement is a volunteering babysitting service, called "Caring for Cougar Cubs."

Their fourth goal is to establish a responsible budget.

"They realize that those are sacred funds and they want to be sure that money is used correctly," said campaign manager Trevor Carter, 22, a sophomore from San Diego.

"One of the biggest things you can do is help people catch the vision of BYU. We don't want people to just get a ring or a degree; we want them to leave with a passion for the university," Cook said.

Carter said Cook and Paulson believe in this university, as well as in one where everyone can be involved.

Regardless of whether they are elected, Cook, Paulson and Carter plan to keep their goals in focus in order avoid any negative campaigning.

"We made a promise to each other that no matter what else happened, we would not forget why we were running," Carter said. "We won't let anything lower our standards in any way."

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